ALASKA, NOT GOLD, HOLDS SOURDOUGHS

Stay Despite Wealth and World Outside.

Fairbanks, Alaska.—One section of interior Alaska is a land of forgotten men. And the men themselves have wiped from their minds all memories of the vanities of the civilized world outside.

Three dozen men are living within the Arctic circle on the Koyukuk river with fortunes in gold, ranging from $25,000 to $75,000, according to Capt. Earl Webb, a prospector, who, after striking pay, is here on his regular winter vacation.

Most of the self-interned men are a remnant of the great trek toward the mecca of gold in the early Klondike days. They prospect the creeks in summer, hunt, fish and trap in winter. They have married native women and settled down to enjoy their modest fortunes where wants are limited to food and a few clothes.

They use the parcel post and express to secure what luxuries their tastes demand, but there is no desire to leave their polar wilderness.

Now and then some prospector makes an unusually large cleanup and turns his dust in at one of the local banks. Then only can an estimate be made of the amount of gold being regularly taken from one of Alaska's creeks. And the greatest amounts apparently come from streams far within the Arctic circle.

The reticent attitude of the grim miners who come and go in silence and secrecy gives rise to many rumors of greater wealth than the world has ever known somewhere up there along the edge of the known land.

What lies in the undiscovered continent just beyond Point Barrow offers the greatest lure to Alaskan sourdoughs.

That gold in large nuggets of a peculiar bright yellow color is waiting in the creeks along the tundra country is certain, for but recently one miner brought by dog sled four cases of dust as but a portion of his cleanup. The four parcels totaled over $40,000.

Airplanes alone can aid men in reaching and holding down these storm-bound regions and bring them supplies week in and week out, say old-timers. But the lure of gold will bring airplanes sooner or later.

Smears Cheese, Pulls Gun; Ends Up in Cell

Washington.—A practical joke ended seriously. One man narrowly escaped with his life while another was placed under arrest on charges of intoxication and assault with a dangerous weapon.

Henry Morris, twenty-one years old, with Edward Earle, walked into a lunchroom. After a meal, police say, Morris tried to smear limburger cheese in the face of his companion and Charles Saunders, twenty-two years old, night proprietor of the lunchroom, upbraided him. Argument ensued.

Saunders, with Morris in pursuit, ran into a lunchroom across the street. Saunders took refuge in a telephone booth, closing the door. When he would not open the door of the booth, police say, Morris took a pistol from his pocket and fired into the compartment. The bullet narrowly escaped hitting Saunders. Patrolman Jerry Broderick, attracted by the shot, hurried to the scene and placed Morris under arrest.

Seagoing Tramps Form Order to Enliven Voyage

Southampton, England.—The "Ancient Order of Tramps" society, just formed with headquarters on an Atlantic liner, had for its object the relief of monotony on sea voyages.

Several cabin passengers and stewards, during a dull voyage, conceived the idea when passengers generally were ignoring the existence of each other. One of the stewards suggested if they were tramps on the high road they would soon become friends.

"Let us make them tramps," said one of the cabin passengers, and the society was formed in a few weeks, with the motto "Good will and good fellowship and good tramps make good seamates."

Boys Run Amuck

Davis, Pa.—Because of strict discipline boys tore down the chimney of the district school, overturned the stove and smashed the windows.

Decorate Blacksmith for Artistic Skill

Paris.—Because he stands for the ancient tradition of the clanging forge and possesses in an age of machinery the skill of an old artisan, France has pinned the red ribbon of the Legion of Honor on the breast of a working blacksmith.

In 1924 Jean-Marie Bigot, aged sixty-five, was declared the best workman in his trade, for a finely chased iron church door. The ring of the forge is heard night and day from the basement smithy in his home close to Paris. During the day he executes orders for skilled ironwork. At night he hammers away at whatever pleases him.

The war took from him the four sons who might have carried on his work.

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Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for April 10

PETER'S LESSON IN TRUST

LESSON TEXT—Matt. 14:22-33.
GOLDEN TEXT—Be of good cheer, it is I; be not afraid.—Matthew 14:27.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Peter Trusts Jesus.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Learning Savior.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Why Peter Failed.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Christ the Ever-Present Helper.

The storm-tossed disciples on the sea at night are an example of the struggling followers of the Lord in the darkness of the present age, as they are tossed by the tempests of the evil one.

I. The Disciples on the Storm-tossed Sea (vv. 22-24).

They are sent across the sea by Christ (v. 22).

Events constrained His disciples to go into a ship." Doubtless His reason for this was to keep them from any judgment in the movement of the people to make Him King, for in John 6:14, 15, it is shown that the people were so excited by the feeding of the five thousand that they were about to make Him King by force.

Then Christ dismisses the multitudes (v. 22).

This may be taken as typical of His rejection by the nation whose rulers had already rejected Him.

Then Christ praying alone in the mountain (v. 23).

His communion to earthly honor and power had come to Him, therefore He went to the Father in prayer for renewed strength. The need of prayer is greatest at such times. According to Mark 6:48 He saw from the mountain the disciples toiling on the storm-tossed sea.

II. Jesus Walking on the Sea (vv. 25-27).

1. It was in the fourth watch of the night (v. 25).

He did not come to them immediately, but waited till almost dawn. However, it was the darkest part of the night. Their physical danger was great, but no doubt their mental perplexity was greater. They knew that the Lord had sent them, but why should they be in such straits if He sent them? The stormy sea is no evidence that the disciple is not in the Lord's appointed way.

2. The disciples alarmed at His coming (v. 26).

At the sight of Him they cried out for fear. They said: "It is a spirit." It was the coming of their best friend to deliver them from danger.

3. Jesus' words of comfort and good cheer (v. 27).

In the midst of their distress they heard the Master's words, "Be of good cheer, it is I, be not afraid." This changed their fear to joy.

III. Peter Walking on the Sea (vv. 28, 29).

1. Peter's request.

As soon as Peter recognized the voice of Jesus he cried: "Bid me come unto thee on the water" (v. 28).

2. Jesus' response (v. 29).

At the Lord's "come," Peter left the ship and walked on the water. While he kept his eyes on the Lord he walked in the waves. His faith linked him with the divine power and was thus upheld. Vital faith in Jesus Christ will enable the disciple to outride the storms of life.

IV. Peter Sinking (v. 30).

He took his eyes off the Lord and looked them upon the raging sea. This separated him from the divine power. We should learn to fix our eyes upon the Lord instead of upon our circumstances. Failure will surely follow if we give consideration to our circumstances and our own ability to master them.

V. Christ Rescuing Peter (v. 31).

When Peter began to sink he did the sensible thing. He cried out: "Lord, save me." Immediately Jesus stretched forth His hand and caught him. His salvation from death at the bottom of the sea was the result of the Lord taking hold of him. Jesus Christ in the incarnation was the divine hand reaching forth to rescue a sinking world. The significance of the expression "straight blue" is made clear in Hebrews 2:16. It is there declared that Jesus took not upon Himself the nature of angels but took upon Himself the seed of Abraham. The same Greek word occurs in verse 31 of this lesson. We should understand from this that the eternal Son of God did not come in the form of a man in order to show man the way to God, but identified Himself with man through incorporation with Him. He came, not as an example, but as a Savior.

Battle and Victory

The battle with the powers of darkness may be long and hard but the victory is possible.—Echoes.

The Comeliest Ornament

The gentleness of Christ is the comeliest ornament that a Christian can wear.—William Arnot.

Be Not Discouraged

Let us not be discouraged when the hand of God layeth heavy woes upon us.—Echoes.

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FOREST VIEW

Winter weather has arrived again, after having several weeks of real Spring. Everything looks beautiful, pastures green, fruit trees and flowers in full bloom. It is expected the peaches are killed but hope the other fruit will stand the cold. Gardens are being planted.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ewers, Mrs. Lawrence Laughlin and Bernice Ford, all of Lynchburg, spent last Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ford.

We are sorry to learn Mr. Charles Harvey, of Spring Mill, is critically ill, of pneumonia, also his brother, Will Harvey, and son, Hunter, are all ill with flu Hope all will soon be out again.

Sunday Scnool was organized at Central Church, March 27th, with good attendance W. T. Nash was appointed Supt. again.

Miss Mary Susie Ford entertained a number of her friends on Saturday night recently. All reported a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Sims and family, visited in the home of R. W. Martin Sunday.

Miss Bessie Martin is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. B. C. Sims.

VERA

A quiet, but very interesting marriage taok place at the Baptist Parsonage, Vera, March 30, 1927, when Miss Ada Gertrude Carter became the bride of Mr. Harry Thomas Ferguson, both of Appomattox, Rev. S. B. Tucker their pastpr officiating. The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warner Carter of Appomattox. The groom is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B M. Ferguson, also of Appomattox. Only some of their friends were present at the ceremony. The bride was attired in gray with accessories to match. The groom wore a suit of blue. Mrs. S. B. Tucker, wife of the pastor played the wedding march. After the ceremony, they went to the brides' home where they took supper. A big supper was given in their honor at the grooms' home on Saturday, April 2, whtre only their near relatives were present. The groom left Sunday evening for Farmile, Va., where he is employed in work. The community wishes them much happiness and success, and hope they will live a long and happy life

Little Eva Ferguson, the small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Ferguson, is out again, after having been confined to her home for several months with a broken leg.

Miss Lucille Ferguson who is teaching school at Spring Mills, Va., spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Ferguson.

Mrs. Casey, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with Mrs. R. D. Abbitt.

Mr. Tom Garrett, Miss Mary Robertson, and Mrs. Nathlia Robertson, spent Saturday in Lynchburg.

Mr. Herbert and Raymond Carnefix, of Richmond, spent a few days with friends and relatives here.

Mr. Tom Garrett left Sunday for Baltimore looking for work.

Mr. Moss Lewis, of Roanoke, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Megginson are the happy parents of a fine baby boy.

We are very sorry to hear Mr. John Beale's condition is no better.

Mrs. Joe Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hatcher spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Coleman.

Get Him, Scouts!

Buffalo, N. Y.—A butcher with the control of Grover Cleveland Alexander routed two holdup men by throwing a piece of salt pork at the bandits when told to throw up his hands.

South Side

We are glad to say that Mrs. A. E. Coleman, who has been sick with the flu is up and going around.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Chernault visited Mrs. A. E. Coleman Sunday

Mr. Royall Ferguson, of Lynchburg, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ferguson.

Little John Randolph Hollycross who has been sick is improving.

We are glad to say that Mr. Joel Coleman is out again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coleman spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. A. E. Coleman.

Red House

Rev. Burnett and Rev. Jennings, of Evergreen, visited in the home of Rev. Gordan at Red House last Monday p. m.

There is right much sickness and many deaths in this county.

We are having rainy weather and a cold Spring which prevents much gardening.

Mrs. White Pertacost has just returned home from hospital in Lynchburg, where she has been a patient for four weeks. Her many friends will be glad to know she is improving, and hope she will soon be restored to good health.

Mrs. Pearl Sanford visited in the home of Mr Tom Chambers last week.

Miss Annie Giles, of Appomattox High School, spent last week end with home folks here.

Rev. Gordan, and family, are very sorry to hear of Mr. Robt. Cawthorn's death and extend through this column much sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Y. A. Giles is much improved from her recent illness.

The "Fortunate Calmity" a comedy drama, was presented by the Red House school March 16th. A good crowd was present and $55 was realized. The play was carried on to Hat Creek, April 1 but on the account of the rainy weather, the crowd was small, about $15 was taken in. Our teachers Misses Cornelia Bailey and Annie Sprinkle deserve much credit.

Mr. Jim Thornton, formerly of this place has moved his family to Bluefield, W. Va., MissEstelle Thornton, a former teacher of Red House for many years and Sunday School teacher at Providence is sadly missed. We hate to loose these good people from our midst. They will be greatly missed in the church and Sunday School, also Mrs. Ellie Marshall.

This writer is very sorry to hear of the illness of MissGladys Smith and hope for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Hannah Jennings visited Mrs. Pearl Sanford at Red House last Friday.

Mrs. S. V. Reynolds has just returned from an extended visit to home people in Lynchburg. If this escapes the waste basket will come again.

Square and V-Shape Necklines Are Rivals

Necklines are a matter of outstanding importance. Flat, says the mode, either V-shape or square. The latter effect is the "last word" in spring styling. A bow of self-material or perhaps ribbon, preferably the former, at every neckline, is another conspicuous feature in dress design.

NOTICE

Mar. 31, 1927

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In accordance with an act of the General Assembly of Virginia Chapter 46, page 59, 1926 Acts, notice is hereby given of an application by the School Board of Appomattox County to borrow from The Literary Fund of Virginia the sum of $6,000.00 for the purpose of building two class rooms and an auditorium in connection with the public school at Pamplin, Va., and a public hearing on said application will be held at the Court House at Appomattox, Va., on Wednesday, May 11th, 1927, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Signed: D. N. TWYMAN, Chair.
Attest: C. W. SMITH, Clerk.
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11:30 p. m.—For Lynchburg, Roanoke, Bristol.

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NOTICE

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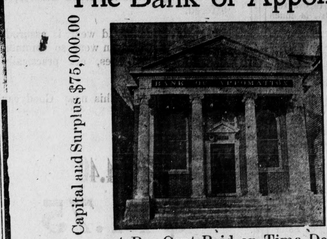

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